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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE



IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
MAKOTO MIYAGI : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: 09/471,287 :
FILED: DECEMBER 23, 1999 :
FOR: SCREENING METHOD AND A
SCREENING APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to an first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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Claim 8, line 3, delete "not the" (first occurrence).

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully
requested.